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Nearly Frozen-Over Five Miles Above the English Coast.

The London, Eng., correspondent of the New York Sun gives the result of sn interview with an English reronaut of the sensations he experienced in a recent balloon ascension. He says:

Great interest has been excited by the remarkable balloon ascent by Prof. Berson of Berlin and Mr. Spencer, some the Crystal Palace, on Thursday. The large balloon, filled with hydrogen, reached a height of 27,500 feet -more than five miles. Prof. Berson carried a complete equipment of instruments for all manner of purposes. The observation and scientific results were most satisfactory. This sltitude has only once been exceeded, and that was by dilainer and Coxwell, in 1862, when they ascended 37,000 feet. Mr. Spencer

When the balloon was let go it shot straight up at a perpendicular rate of when an air current hore it in a south-easterly direction. When the balloon was 1000 feet high it took a south-westerly direction. When we were over the isle of Dogs we saw a magnificent panerama. The English Channel lay at our feet. Ships were little black dots. The coast of France was distinctly visible, and the vast expanse of the North Sea touched the horizon.

· At 25,000 feet we had a decided feeling of dizziness. Breathing became difficult. I was about to remark to Prof. Berson that I felt a peculiar sensation, when he cried:

stencer, oxygen, oxygen! Inst was the signal arranged for the innsing of compressed oxygen, which had been taken along in a tube. I seized the respirator and inhaled the oxygen, and so did Prof. Berson. The result was mar ellous. We felt new life and could attend to the sandbags and the manipulation of the balloon as well as if on the ground. Prof. Berson was very pale, and he told me that I was too.

We continued to soar upward, but ther was no appreciable difference in the arity o the atmosphere, When at a bigner altitude I was curious to assertain the effect of the atmosphere and removed the respirator.

the about a quarter of a minute I felt the same feeling of giddiness creep ng over the. Then Prof. Berson called again: Spender, oxygen! I inhaled the oxygen and had the same sensation as beforc. Finally we reached 27 500 feet, which was not quite the record of Glaisher when he was nearly asphyxiat ed. In my opinion, we might have gone mach nigher without inconvenience, as long as we offated our lungs with oxygen. But there were only four bags of ballast left, and therefore I warned Prof. Berson that it was not safe to throw any

more away. At 27 500 feet the thermometer showed 26 below zero. We felt limp and weak. We shivered and trembled, slthough wrapped in lots of flamel. The cold was shocking. All the metallic articles, the balkast bag hooks, the steel sensational in their daily notices about tube of the compressed oxygen, and othe: metal substances were coated with ice. The sky was an intense blue. The un was so dazzling that we dared not look at it.

We mad, the descent at terrific speed in the apperaltitudes. When the ballast bags were thrown out to steady the balloon, the sand scattered in the air and played around the fittings of our car. It was only when we were within 10,000 feet of the earth and in a warmer atmosphere that the balloon began to descend steadily. We alighted gently in a field of stubble.'

SOME NOTES

ON OLD FRIENDS.

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A face at one time familiar to Montreal tneatre-goers, but which, for some reason or another, has not been seen in cur city for many years, is that of the whose splendid presentations of several patriotic and soul-stirring Irish plays had won for him a warm corner in the hearts of the Irish people of this city. The following incident of his early career appears in an American Journal, as related by the talented actor to a reporter:

'It was 46 years ago—in 1852,' he said, 'that I emigrated from New York to California. I arrived there a mere youth, without resources, and in a deplorable plight. The first opening I found was as waiter in an eating house much patronized by miners. I was soon rattling dishes at a lively gait, and when the pro-prietor of a hotel in Oroville, then a great mining camp, came to 'Frisco look ing for help, he took a fancy to me and offered me a job. I saw prospects and accepted. The next day I left with my new employer, a Mr. Lawler, for the camp. My baggage was packed in a mare drum, which I suspended from my neck. All I had besides a change of clothing was a set of bones, my best friend. When 'broke' I earned many a dollar with those bones, for, to tell the simple truth, I could handle them surprisingly well.

Orovilie was a rough place, but I was happy. Among the people I met there were two young men who lived in "our" hotel and whose wants in the dining room lattended to. One of them was named Perkins. He was a lively, bright young fellow, who clerked in a grocery. The other was named Gore. I had not been there long when summer came round and with it the ever glorious Fourth of July. Patriotism was strong in our far away camp, and the men deoided to celebrate by raising a liberty | To day.

pole. A committee was appointed to go into the woods and cut a ice, straight pine and trim it. Another committee dug the hole and the women bestirred themselves to get materials for the flag. Bunting, of course, was out of the ques-tion, and the make up of that Old Glory was something wonderful. I was assigned to the work of patterning the stars and the general job of making the

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flag.
At last the Fourth dawned. The pole, long and white, lay on the square with a nest hole for the halyards, and ropes made ready for hoisting it into place. Owing to some neglect it became necessary for some one to go aloft after the pole was in position, and set the flag. I. being the youngest and most active man in the camp, was chosen. I tried, but couldn't get ten feet from the ground. Then I remembered that my friend Perkins had been a sailor, and offered to get him. The min ers promised me \$50 if I would do so, and \$50 more if he accomplished the undertaking. He came, and donning a suit of overalls, soaped the inside of the legs and sleeves and then rubbed sand on the soaped places. This formed a kind of resinous 'sticker,' and Perkins shin ned up that liberty pole like a monkey to an accompaniment of all kinds of shouts and yells and jeers. Then the crowd clamored for music. I got out my bones; a fiddler and an accordion player joined me, and there in the open air we gave them 'Yankee Doodle,' and other stirring selections. That was the entering wedge of my career as an enter

'Sixteen years after I left Oroville I went back to San Francisco on a visit. While there one day Alexander Badlam, city assessor of San Francisco, and a friend of his surprised me, and I invited them to go fishing. Badlam's friend was the governor of California. He kept locking at me rather sharply, and at last intimated that he thought he had seen me before. My name seemed to suggest no one in particular until he began to dig out the past and told me of a youngster of my name that he had known in Oroville. I let him prattle along until he came to that memorable Fourth of July poleraising. Then I broke it and finished the story for him. The governor of California was that identical grocer's boy, Perkins, who shinned up that pole and gave to the breeze the first American flag that ever floated in Oroville. His old triend Gare is the Gore of the famous Unicago firm of Chapin & Gore.'

The Expenditures of the Holy See Annually.

The Diminution in Receipts of Peter's Pence from the United States and Austria.

The Roman correspondence of the New York Freeman's Journal contains the following reference to the financial affairs of the Holy See :--

His Holiness continues to do a large the state of his health. The topic has | Catholicity in America : served as a peg on which to hang a large assortment of misinformation. The latest item of this kind which has been hatched by a liberal Italian newspaper and reproduced abroad is the supposed the keel of the Santa Maria of Columbus fabulous wealth of the Pope. The Osser grated on the beach of San Salvador. As vatore Romano disposes of the story in these few words:

'We not only contradict this chatter, but we beg serious newspapers not to give space in their columns to any fantastical investments of the kind, their scope evidently being to weaken, if possible, the generosity of the faithful in their offerings of Peter's Pence.'

As a matter of tact, the Papal finances re far from being in a flourishing condition, and the question of Peter's Pence is one which demands the earnest attention of the hierarchy and faithful throughout the world. It has recently become acute owing to the diminution in the receipts from America and Spain, caused, doubtless, by the war.
His Holiness, Pope Leo XIII, has re-

duced the expenditure of the Holy See in the general management of the Church to its lowest limits, but it still reaches the formidable sum of seven millions of francs annually, or \$1,200,000. Three sterling Irish actor, Mr. Joseph Murphy, millions of france are guaranteed, four million shave to be raised to make up the balance. Up to two years ago the contributions from Peter's Pence surpassed this amount and His Holiness was able to help many

Catholic enterprises. Since then the annual amount received in Peter's Pence has been less than half a million dollars. Besides the diminution from the United States and Spain already referred to, France has ceased to be the generous nation she was, and

Austria is positively niggardly.

At the beginning of this year His
Holiness addressed a special appeal to the bishops of Germany, and they have entered on the work of raising the neces sary sum with their well known earnestness. It is necessary to stimulate American Catholics to what has always been for them a labor of love as well as of

BRITAIN'S NATIONAL DEBT.

A return, which has been issued as a Parliamentary paper, shows the aggregate gross liabilities of the State for each year from 1835 36 to 1897 98, and the gross net expenditure charged annually during the same period on account of the State's capital liabilities. The total gross liabilities in the financial year 1897 98 were £638 266 482. ss against £644 909 847 in 1896 97 and £853 473 597 in 1885 86. The reduction of £6 643 365 between 1896 97 and 1897 98 was made up as follows: Funded debt, £1 911 108; terminable annuities, £4 426 867; and other capital liabilities, £305,390.

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VIGOROUS OLD AGE.

MR. WM. ELLIOTT TELLS HOW TO OBTAIN IT.

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CATHOLICITY IN AMERICA.

we are quite sure—gives the following sensational in their daily notices about dramatic view of the origin and rise of

(FROM FRANK LESIME'S MONTHLY)

'The history of Roman Catholicism in our Western world began the day when the Admiral stepped ashore he intoned the 'Gloris in Excelsis Deo.' He little party were all Catholics; he held Catho lic services every day they were on the trackless deep; had been present at the Mass and received communion the day they started; had been gathered together under Catholic auspices, through the assistance of a Catholic monk, by means of the pledged jewels of a Catholic sovereign, and through the impelling motive of gaining new souls to Carlst in the Catholic Church. A monk, a mariner and a mother-these three, symbolic of Faith, Hope and Charity—wrested the un known land from the bosom of the ocean and opened a new continent where the highest providential designs of God were to be wrought out. The art of printing had been discovered fifty years before, and many other of the great instruments which produced our modern civilization had come into vogue. Martin Luther was then but a little German lad learning the Catechism he was later on to repudiate.

When Columbus returned to Europe he brought with him six natives and these dusky savages were baptized into the Church, Queen Isabella standing as their godmother. These were the first native American Catholics. These six Catholics of 1498 have become the 10 000,000

In the summing up the writer, of course, meant by the 10 000,000 Cath. olics of America those in the United thing, no matter how full of enjoyment it may be for other people. If he is United States, there are at least 45 000, just a little bit out of order, if he "is 000 of Catholics.—New York Freeman's

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atock. Cun., metallic tire wheels. 610 581-Robert Fletcher, et al., To ronto, atove. 610,623-Phillip C. Folwell, Toronto.

automatic cut off for gas burners.
610.543—Frank P. Keeane, Toronto, vending machine.

610 548 Emilien A. Manny et al. Beauharnois, canal lock. 610 635-Alexander McKay, Montreal, dust tight sifter for ashes.

610 629-Elijah M. Miera, Palmerston, Can, wheel hub. 610 879-William H. Nesbitt, Roland,

Can., not lock, 610 612-John J. Setter, Poplar Point, Can., machine for burning seeds of noxious weeds. 610,618- William S. Shaw, Bracebridge,

Can., leather dressing machinery. 610 694-Lewis H. Slaght et al, Water ford, Can., lawn mower. 610-614-William S. Smith, Toronto,

610,779 - William T. Watson, Victoria, Can, car fender.

WHAT A ROY BUD IN SPARE MO-MENTS.

dence of a celebrated school principal and asked to see the master. The servant eyed his mean dothes and thinkviger, and bringing a resy glow to pale ing he looked more like a beggar than and sallow cheeks. There is no other anything else, told him to go around to medicine "just as good." Pink Pilisfor the kitchen. He soon appeared at the Pale People is on every package you back door and repeated his request. 'You want a breakfast, more like,' said the servant girl, and set down some bread and butter. 'Thank you,' said the boy. I should like to see Mr. ---, if he can see me.' 'Some old clothes, maybe, you want; ! guess he has none to spare; he gives away a sight,' remarked the girl eyeing his ragged clothes. 'Can I see ——?" asked the boy, with the most emphatic emphasis on each word. Some appreciative hand a woman's, The girl for the first time stopped her House, Sign and Decorative Painter must be disturbed, he must I s'pose. and she whisked him off to that room, remarking as she opened the door, 'Here's somebody terribly anxious to see you, sir, so I let him in.' The professor laid his book aside and talked with the boy with increasing interest, and soon took down some books and began to give him an examination which extended even to Greek, and every question was answered correctly and promptly. The professor was amazed at such youthful erudition, and asked the boy how he managed with his apparent poverty to accumulate such an amount of knowledge. 'Oh, I studied in my spare time.' answered the boy brightly, and with the utmost unconsciousness that he was an example to even the man before him. Here was a boy, a hard-working orphan, almost fitted for college in the spare moments that his companions were wasting. Truly are soare moments the 'gold dust of time -Success.

EXTREME PENALTY FOR BIGAMY.

A good story is going the rounds about he Lord Chief Justice, Lord Russell of Killowen. One day, a year before he took silk, the present Lord Chief was sitting in court, when another barrister, leaning across the benches during the hearing of a trial for bigamy, whispered: "Russell, what's the extreme penalty for bigamy?" "Two mothers in-law," instantly replied Russell.

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